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Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: James M. Derderian

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INCLUDING STACKING SPACERS
THEREON, ASSEMBLIES INCLUDING
THE SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICES, AND
METHODS

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This Amendment follows the final Office Action of November 19, 2007, the shortened statutory period for response to which expires on February 19, 2008. This Amendment, which is being submitted on Tuesday, January 22, 2008, should be deemed to have been filed within two months of the mailing date of the final Office Action, as January 19, 2008, fell on a Saturday and Monday, January 21, 2008, was the Martin Luther King, Jr., Federal Holiday. 37 C.F.R. § 1.7.

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